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Subject: Benefits of Transporting Oil through SLO

Planning Commission,

Thank you for your consideration of the oil train proposal.

I chose to live on the central coast for one reason: the endless job opportunities in the oil industry. I look around this place and I see opportunities to dig, drill, and haul. Why aren't there offshore oil rigs in SLO pumping black gold to power our cars, trains, and cities? Santa Barbara is cashing in on that Bonanza, with only positive results. Why aren't 10 mile long trains hauling millions of gallons of black crude to be refined in an idyllic beach-side location? I'm fortunate enough to live along side the train tracks in Pismo Beach and I'd love to see all manner of trains crossing the Pismo Creek. No amount of beauty is worth a few more jobs and income for our fair cities.

On another note, the oak trees that dot price canyon: why aren't we looking at logging proposals to cut them down? We already have the Freeport McMoran oil & gas operation, pouring cash and fragrant aromas into our local economy; do you know how many oak-logging jobs we could have as well? Thousands!

Or take Avila Bay. Have you ever seen an industrial Salmon farm?...what a perfect use for a water way that is essentially going unused.

When the coal plant closed in Morro, it really broke my heart. It's such a beautiful piece of architecture and does a great job of detracting from what is otherwise a pretty blasé beach town. Can we reopen that?

Come on planning commission! We need you now more than ever to kick the exploration and exploitation of our natural resources into high gear! This train is a great start! Sure, might there be a derailment or two? Of course! But my home will be the first to go, and I for one say: burn baby burn!

Thank you again,

Matt St. George
A Truly Heartless and Senseless Man